

House Resolution 1837

By: Representatives Hugley of the 133rd, Smyre of the 132nd, Buckner of the 130th, Smith of the 129th, and Smith of the 131st

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Reverend Robert L. Holston on the occasion of his 40th
2 pastoral anniversary; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Reverend Robert L. Holston has demonstrated his commitment to teaching the
4 Gospel, witnessing Christ through word and deed, and addressing the physical,
5 psychological, intellectual, and spiritual needs of others; and

6 WHEREAS, Reverend Holston was called by the Lord 40 years ago to lead the congregation
7 of Nazareth Baptist Church as the church's third pastor; and

8 WHEREAS, his vision and direction have helped Nazareth Baptist Church grow in size and
9 influence, uplifting the community like the light of Bethlehem and serving as a spiritual
10 leader and place for fellowship; and

11 WHEREAS, over the past four decades leading Nazareth Baptist Church, Reverend Holston
12 has established numerous programs and workshops which have improved the spiritual and
13 educational growth of the church and the surrounding community; and

14 WHEREAS, whether the task is preparing a sermon, visiting the sick, counseling the
15 troubled, baptizing a new believer, or acting as a theologian, educator, administrator, or
16 humanitarian, Reverend Holston serves as a shining example of God's righteous path; and

17 WHEREAS, the unmatched spiritual assistance offered by Reverend Holston is a source of
18 strength and direction for persons in all walks of life and from all economic strata; and

19 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this enduring example of God's message
20 of peace and love be recognized and congratulated for his innumerable good works rendered
21 on behalf of persons in need.

22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
23 the members of this body congratulate Reverend Robert L. Holston on the wonderful
24 occasion of his 40th pastoral anniversary and extend best wishes for many more years of
25 successful fellowship and leadership.

26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
27 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Reverend Robert L.
28 Holston.